



# EDITHVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3—Week 4

10 August 2012

Doing the Right Thing, Working Together & Aspiring Higher

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Denise Webster

Much of the teaching and learning program at the moment is focused on the Olympic Games - students are able to apply their learning in Maths, English and Inquiry using the Olympics as an overarching theme. Studies of different countries and cultures accompany investigations into a variety of skills needed to participate in a range of sports. Our final event, the Fun Run, is currently experiencing adverse weather conditions but we hear that sunshine is on the way and we look forward to participating in this wonderful whole school event in the not too distant future.

Our concert is scheduled for Wednesday 12 September and information has been sent home this week giving details of the organisation of this event. Tickets are now able to be purchased and will be allocated in order of submission. It is great to see how enthusiastic the children are and how determined they are to increase their level of skill using different apparatus.

Free Fruit Friday: the funding for this initiative has been stopped much to the disappointment of many, however a short term solution has been offered to schools by Boost Juice - this will provide fruit for the Prep - 2 classes for the next four weeks.

Our next Working Bee is scheduled for Saturday 18 August. This will be accompanied by a 'Bristol Sale' which hopefully will clear some of the unused furniture and raise a little bit of money for the construction of the new school fence. A note will be sent home on Monday with further details - please come along and help out even if you can only spare an hour or two. Everyone is welcome and your assistance is greatly appreciated.

On the subject of the fence - we have just finished the final planning details and construction should begin before the end of term. Our fundraising will not cover all costs for such a large and expensive item, however we are hopeful that your efforts in this area will help to significantly reduce the financial burden on the school. You may also have noticed that some concreting work was carried out last week. This was in preparation for the arrival of two water tanks that will complete the scope of works under the National Solar Schools Program. The first components of this, which included solar panels and energy efficient lighting, have been in place since the beginning of term.

I would like to remind parents that enrolments for 2013 prep students are due now. Prep 2013 Parent Information Night is on Monday 20 August.

Finally, as many of you are aware, The Australian Education Union is taking industrial action in support of new enterprise agreements for teachers, principals, and support staff. We have been advised that Wednesday 5 September is the next day scheduled for Stop Work. Please take note of this date so that alternative arrangements for your child are in place, if they need to be accessed. A note will be sent home closer to this day to inform you if your child's class will be affected by the Stop Work action. (The industrial action will have no impact on the scheduled Year 4 camp - this will proceed as planned).

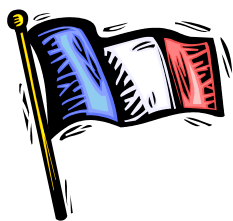
## FUN RUN ALERT

Due to the inclement weather and the state of the athletics track, the Fun Run that was to be held today has been rescheduled to next Friday, 17 August.



## FRENCH DAY 2012 at EPS

### Let's put the "French" in Edithvale



**Wednesday 22 August 2012** will be "Oooh-la-la Day" at Edithvale Primary School. The French celebration will start with Assembly/Parade in the morning at 9.15 am.

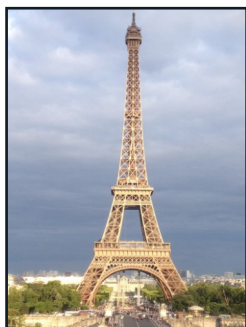
A roster will be done during the day for the students to collect their beautiful French Crepe from our French Chef "Robert" (order forms have been sent home already and are due back on 17 August). All classes will be participating in activities between 2.30 pm and 3.30 pm (parents welcome into their child's class from 2.30 pm).

We will run some competitions:

**Whole school: The best moustache!** Students can use pencil, paper, props etc; We will select a panel of 2 students, 1 special guest & 2 teachers to be judges.

The categories are:

- \* Best moustache
- \* Best dressed en bleu/blanc/rouge (blue/white/red)
- \* Best French character
- \* Best French style dress/clothing!



One winner per grade, judged by the panel, will receive a free crepe!

**The best staff member's French moustache!** Edithvale PS staff will hopefully embrace the spirit of the "French-je-ne-sais-quoi!" and dress up for the event!

We will have a French Assembly/Parade (9.15 am)

- \* French National Anthem
- \* 1,2,3 French song sung by all Year 1s & 2s
- \* Dance and song by the Preps
- \* Students' awards for best moustache
- \* Staff best moustache

**PLEASE REMEMBER NOT TO SEND LUNCH  
ORDERS ON WEDNESDAYS AS OUR CANTEEN  
DOES NOT OPEN ON A WEDNESDAY.**

**THANK YOU.**

## PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

### Kerry Mitvalsky

Just a reminder to ALL CHILDREN who are participating in the Premiers Reading Challenge to please hand in your completed forms to your classroom teacher by 31 August to ensure that the data can be entered by the closing date.

#### Years Prep—2

30 books in total, 20 from reading challenge list.

#### Years 3—6

15 books in total, 10 from reading challenge list.

NOW THAT THE WEATHER HAS TURNED RATHER COLD,  
PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A SCHOOL JUMPER WITH  
YOU AND PLEASE MAKE SURE IT IS LABELLED WITH  
YOUR NAME.

## LOST PROPERTY

Lost property is now stored in the undercover area between the Library and the Year 2 and 3 building. If your child has lost anything please check the lost property bin.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### AUGUST

Mon 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Prep 2013 Parent Information Session 7.00 pm-8.00 pm.</li> <li>◆ Graduation Photos.</li> </ul>
Fri 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Crepe Orders Due In.</li> <li>◆ Concert Ticket Orders Due In.</li> <li>◆ Adidas School Fun Run.</li> </ul>
Wed 22nd	◆ French Day—'Oooh-la-la'.
Fri 24th	◆ Year 4—6 Athletics Carnival.
Thu 30th	◆ Prep 2013 Children meet teachers 2.30 pm—3.30 pm.
Fri 31st	◆ Premiers Reading Challenge forms due.

### SEPTEMBER

Mon 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Curriculum Day</li> <li>* No Students Required at School.</li> </ul>
Tue 4th	◆ School Council Meeting.
Wed 5th - Fri 7th	◆ Year 4 Camp.
Wed 12th	◆ School Concert—Kingston Arts Centre.
Fri 21st	◆ Last day of Term 3.

## CANTEEN NEWS

Diane Cameron—Canteen Manager

A reminder to all students, parents and teachers that the Term 2 menu will remain the same for Term 3, but please amend Hot Apple Pies to \$2.00 (previously \$1.40).

Paddle Pops (\$1.20) and Calippos (.80c) are back in stock and the price has remained the same. The small ice-cream cups (\$1.00) are also available, till stocks last.

A big thanks to parent helpers and Year 6 students for helping out over the last 2 weeks. A big welcome to Tanya to the canteen helpers list.

### CANTEEN ROSTER—TERM THREE

Mon 13th	Tue 14th	Thu 16th	Fri 17th
Anna Ericsson	Sharyn McIntosh	Mark O'Hehir	Kerry Cappy
Mon 20th	Tue 21st	Thu 23rd	Fri 24th
-	Tanya Cominotto	Lara Sinclair	Antoniette Butta

## FUNDRAISING FOR OUR NEW FENCE

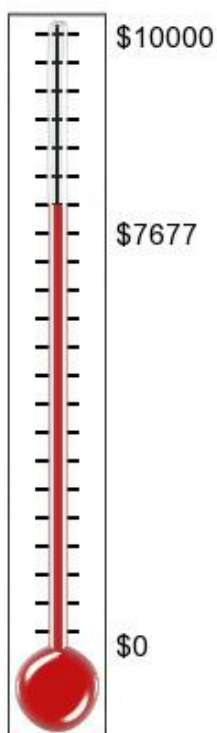
Our fundraising, for our new perimeter fence is continuing and the \$3,818.35 profit from the Chocolate Fundraiser has now being added to the total.

The Entertainment books will be added soon.

So far we have raised

**\$7,677.18**

The Mobile Phone 'Foneraiser' will also contribute towards these funds so keep sending your old phones along to school.



## OLYMPIC DAY - 31 JULY

Ms Amanda Scafidi

The whole school was infected with Olympic fever on 31 July. The morning started out with each year level learning about a chosen country and making flags for our Olympic Ceremony. Wave upon wave of colours, flags and patriotic shouts settled upon Edithvale Primary School.

It was a marvellous occasion, with students learning interesting facts about the different countries. The Grade 3s went one step further and decided to make authentic Mexican quesadillas for lunch. The afternoon was full of Olympic events from gymnastics to athletics. Fun was had by students, teachers and parents involved. Here are a few photos from the day's events:





## LUNCH CLUBS AT EPS

Please see Mrs Cua or Mrs Glavis for any queries

### DANCE CLUB

With Mrs Cua on Fridays @ 1.40 PM

LEARNING CENTRE.

Limited to first 20 Year 6 students, boys or girls.

### CHEERLEADING CLUB

With Mrs Evans on Thursdays @1.40 PM

LEARNING CENTRE

### RUNNING CLUB

With Miss Rohan on Wednesday mornings  
8.15 - 8.45am.

ON THE OVAL. Anyone can join in.

### CHOIR

With Mrs Webster and Mrs Cua on Wednesdays @ 1.40

Anyone can join in - LEARNING CENTRE

### POSTER CLUB

With Mrs Glavis on Mondays @ 1.40 In Room

Limit 10: Year 2s & 3s - ROOM 5

### HIP HOP DANCE CLUB

With Jamie and Chloe on Mondays @ 1.40 - LEARNING CENTRE.

Limit 12: 6 x Year 2s 6 x Preps

### NETBALL CLUB

With Mrs Trotter and Mrs Mitvalsky  
on Thursdays @1.40.

Year 2s, 3s and 4s - NETBALL COURTS

### CHESS CLUB

With SRC members

Where: Outside Sheds.

When: To be announced



## ASPENDALE GARDENS COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

Ph 9587 5955 Fax 9587 5280

Aspendale Gardens Community Centre has a variety of activities for the young and the young at heart. From sport and fitness classes (for kids and adults), dance, kids music classes, playgroups, occasional care and more. For a copy of our activity brochure, or any enquiries, phone 9587 5955 or check out our website [www.agcsinc.org.au](http://www.agcsinc.org.au)

\*\*\*"C'mon Get Happy!" Healthy Living Strategies for Body and Mind to help you put some real balance back into your life. Topics include eating better, enjoying healthy exercise and relationships, reducing stress and improving your life.

B tru 2 u fitness and Adam Palmer Hypnotherapy will be presenting a seminar filled with demonstrations, strategies, fun surprises, laughs and giveaways. 'When you feel confident, relaxed and happy, it's easy to remain in control of all of your choices'.

Wednesday 15th August from 7pm. Cost: \$10

Enquiries/Bookings, ph. Connie on 0414 671 066 or Adam on 0409 533 774

\*\* FREE! Financial Planning Seminar for Families: Hosted by Your Financial Future. Date: Tuesday 11th September. Time: 7.30-8.30pm This seminar is tailored to the needs of families to help you protect your financial future. Topics include; starting a family, cost of education, insurance (how much is too much?) and more. A great opportunity to set the foundations for a sound financial future for you and your family.

Enquiries/bookings Ph. 9588 2800 or contact via website [www.yourfinancialfuture.com.au](http://www.yourfinancialfuture.com.au)

## FRENCH RECYCLING ITEMS

Madame Snow is trying to collect some French items for the French Program: Eg: empty packaging from French biscuits, mustard, shampoo, facial cream, plastic bottles, cans, containers etc; If you have any of the above, can you please send them along to school ASAP?

Thank you for supporting our French Department!



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### Dear Parents of Edithvale PS ...

I have recently started my own garden maintenance service 'Clean Cut Gardening' & I am looking for clients/ properties in the local area—Household or Businesses.

If you mention this flyer (ie: -You're a parent/ family member of EPS student) I will donate \$50 back to the school for every new client that books a regular service, prior to Term 4 2012.

#### Services Offered

Mowing, Edging, Tree Trimming, Hedging,  
Weed Control, Green Waste Removal, Window  
Cleaning, Pre-Sale Facelift

**\* FREE Quotes Available \***

Regular maintenance or a once off 'CLEAN CUT',  
It's up to you!

Regards

**Nick Macmillan**

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## SPECIFIC LEARNING DIFFERENCES SUPPORT SOUTH EAST (including dyslexia)



Moira Training Room,  
920 Nepean Hwy, Hampton East  
(opposite Moorabbin station)  
22<sup>nd</sup> August 2012  
7.00pm - 9.00pm

### Organisational Skills and Forging a Partnership with your Child's School

Glyn Jones, Social Worker, will provide strategies to help your child organise for school, as well as offering ideas on creating a good working relationship with your child's teachers.

Please RSVP to [dwi46566@bigpond.net.au](mailto:dwi46566@bigpond.net.au)

Gold coin donation appreciated.

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## THE A–Z OF IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE

### AFTER SCHOOL CARE

The After School Program is conducted by Kingston Council in our school hall from 3.30 pm to 6.15 pm on school days. After School Care was established to provide quality care for primary school children in a supervised, relaxed, safe & fun environment. The program caters for parents who work, study or due to other commitments require After School Care and to allow children to play together, participating in the varied recreation activities provided. Parents wishing to enrol their children are asked to contact Kingston City Council on 9581 4867 for further information.

### BPAY OPTION

You can pay your excursions and other charges, via internet banking. Your BPay reference will be printed on your statement. *Please only use BPay for payments of \$20 or over. You can of course, combine several outstanding charges to make the \$20 minimum.*

For ALL BPay payments, we need to be notified of what your payment is for. The easiest way is to email us on [edithvale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:edithvale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) with BPay in the subject line. Or of course, tick the BPay option on your payment envelope or excursion notice.

If you have any queries, please phone **Sandie Wishart** on **9772 1393**.

### CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT INFORMATION

It is important for us to hold current student information at school, which includes medical information and emergency contacts, in case of an unforeseen accident or illness.

If you change any of your details throughout the year, or you need a new form, please let us know.

### ELECTRONIC STATEMENTS AND NEWSLETTERS

We are now sending quarterly family statements out via email, which has been a big success. We are also sending electronic copies of newsletters. At present, we will still be sending a hard copy, but at some stage this will stop, unless you specifically request a hard copy.

In time, we will commence sending newsletters via email every fortnight and eliminate the number we need to print.

This should make things easier for everyone and will make us a much 'greener' school! If you don't have an email address, then of course, you will still receive a hard copy.

### LATE PASSES

If you are late to school, you must come to the office for a late pass. It is then taken to class and given to your teacher, where it is collected and recorded on our CASES21 attendance system. This is a legal requirement—not just a requirement of the school.

### MONEY ISSUES

Please note that we do not have money readily available at the office to give change. The day's takings are banked every day and we do not hold a 'float' for the next morning. Please endeavour to bring the correct money when making payments or use BPay where possible, which will save you a trip to the office—and save us a trip to the bank!

### PARKING ISSUES

Please observe all parking signs around the school, particularly in Haig Avenue. Reports have come in from parents, that people are being booked by by-laws officers in that area on a regular basis. **Please note also, that for safety reasons, parents are not permitted to park in the staff car park.**

### SCHOOL CROSSINGS

Our school crossings are an important part of our school. They enable both children and adults to cross the roads that bound our school in safety. Please use the crossings correctly to ensure everyone's safety and to set a good example for our students.

### STUDENT BANKING DAY

Bank books are brought to school on **TUESDAY** for processing on Wednesday. Forms for new accounts are available from the school office. With as little as 50 cents and a **Youth Saver Account**, you can become a super saver! Don't forget your school banking. Keep on saving for your rewards—and help raise funds for your school at the same time as we receive a commission on all deposits made via the school.

### UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is located in the Prep corridor between Prep 1 and Prep 2 and is open every Tuesday afternoon from 3:00 pm–4:15 pm. Payments can be made by EFTPOS or cash.

### UNIFORM SHOP—SECOND HAND

The Second Hand Uniform Shop is located in the School Hall and is open every Tuesday afternoon from approximately 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm. Cash only please.